



# Instruction BEACH BAG WITH INTEGRAL BEACH MAT





### Materials from Gütermann

- Sew-all thread in matching colours
- Cotton fabric 145 cm wide, Collection PORTOFINO:
- 1.60 m striped fabric in light blue-rose pink
- 1.60 m ornament fabric in light blue-white
- 0.65 m small stars fabric in light blue-white
- 1 carabiner with ring, 15 mm wide, 40 mm long

## In addition

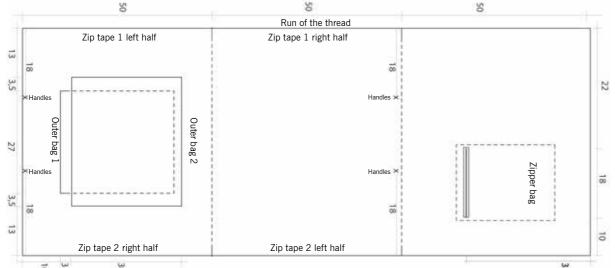
- 3.0 m H 630 volume fleece batting, 90 cm wide
- 500 g wadding
- 2 separable zips in rose pink made from synthetic material, 50 cm long
- Pink zip, 18 cm long
- 0.35 m small flowers fabric in light blue-ro
  0.30 m G 710 iron-on woven interfacing, 90 cm wide

## Tools

- Sewing machine
- Iron
- Scissors
- Ruler or hand gauge
- Measuring tape
- Tailor's chalk or fabric pencil
- Darning needle or looped turning needle
- Hand-sewing needle

#### Cutting

- Beach mat: 1x striped fabric, 150 x 60 cm, and 1x ornament fabric, 150 x 60 cm
- Zipper bag: 2x small stars fabric, 26 x 20 cm
- Outer bag 1: 1x small flowers fabric, 54 x 30 cm
- Outer bag 2: 1x small stars fabric, 60 x 49 cm; striped fabric, 4 x 49 cm (make sure the stripes are central) G 710 iron-on woven interfacing, 30 x 49 cm
- Handles: 2x small flowers fabric. 8 x 50 cm; 2x iron-on woven interfacing. 8 x 50 cm
- Carabiner fastening: 1x striped fabric, 6 x 3 cm Cut all pieces with a 1 cm seam allowance!













- 1. Iron the iron-on woven interfacing to the reverse side of all the fabric pieces. Place a damp cloth on each piece and press the iron on the fabric for 12 seconds at a time, working gradually across the whole surface. Lay the pieces out flat for about 30 minutes to cool, to ensure that the interfacing adheres perfectly to the fabric pieces. Place the strips for each handle right sides together and pin the edges. On one handle stitch one cross-wise and one lengthwise seam; on the other stitch only the long seam. Clip back the seam allowances and at the corners trim away the seam allowances. Iron along the seam lines and turn to the right side: Use the handle of a wooden spoon to turn out the handle with the closed narrow sides and use a thick darning needle or looped turning needle to turn out the open-ended handle strip, by knotting the threads and drawing the needle through the inner Channel. Carefully ease the corners into shape, slide the open edge of the closed handle towards the inside and pin. Iron the edges of the straps and top-stitch close to the edge along the long edges.
- 2. Now mark the notch line of the zipper bag on the right side of the beach mat (in the ornament fabric) and on the wrong side for the zipper bag/1. fabric cutting (of the small stars fabric). Use the template to produce the correct size. Place the zipper bag right side to right side on the ornament fabric, so that the notch lines lie exactly on top of each other. To achieve this, insert pins vertically through the end points of the zipper bag and insert the points of the pins into the end points of the notch line on the beach mat. Push the pins through up to their heads and secure the notch line with pins. Now stitch a rectangle around the notch line at a distance of the width of the machine foot; use a 2 mm stitch and reduce the stitch length to 1.5 mm in the corners. Iron the seam. Cut an opening through all the fabric layers along the notch line, cutting diagonally at the corners just before the corner.
- **3.** Now pull the fabric for the bag through the slit towards the back. Draw the fabric for the bag away from the seam line, so that it is no longer visible on the front and lies flat on the back. Secure the edges with pins and iron the slit. Pin the 18 cm long zip under the edges of the slit, so that the zip teeth are visible. Use the zip foot to stitch all around close to the edge of the zip. With right sides together put the zippered pocket pieces flat onto the remaining pocket piece and sew together along the seam line.
- **4.** Fold the cut-out piece in the small flower fabric for the outer bag 1 right sides together, to create a rectangle 27x 30 cm (plus seam allowances). Pin the open edges together. Stitch the edges to each other, leaving an 8 cm long turning slit in the centre of the narrow side. Clip back the seam allowances, clipping them on the bias at the corners and iron along the seam lines; this makes it easier to ease the edges into shape in the next step. Turn the bag out through the slit, ease the edges into shape and iron them. Pin the bag to the ornament fabric following the size instruction on the cutting template. Stitch both side edges and the lower edge close to the edge, at the same time closing the turning slit.
- **5.** Fold the seam allowances on the long edge of the strip for the carabiner hook to the right side and iron, then fold the fold lines wrong sides together and iron once more. Stitch the edges to each other. Fold the strip into a loop

For the outer bag 2 with side pleat iron the long edges of the striped fabric on the wrong side. Fold the cut-out piece for the bag wrong sides together, to form a rectangle 30 x 49 cm (plus seam allowances). Iron the fold line and open out the fabric once more. Pin the striped strip to the fold line wrong sides together, so that it aligns with the fabric for the bag. Pin the loop for the carabiner on the wrong side 12 cm below the strip, so that the loop protrudes by 2 cm. Stitch along both sides of the strip close to the edge, catching in the loop. Fold the fabric for the bag right to right side along the ironed fold line. Pin the side and lower edges to each other. Stitch the open edges along the seam line, leaving a turning slit on the lower edge. Clip back the seam allowances as described in Step 4 iron the edges and turn the bag out through the slit. Shape the edges as in Step 4, pin and iron.







- **6.** For the bellows pleats fold 7 cm of fabric from the side edge to the reverse. Iron the fold lines inwards. Once more fold the folded-in sides outwards until they lie exactly aligned under the ironed-in side edges. Pin bag 2 with the bellows pleats over the outer bag 1 along the vertical edges as indicated in the cutting template. Stitch the short horizontal seam on the upper edge of bag 1 and finally stitch the vertical edge of the bag. Work the second side of bag 2 in the same way.
- **7.** Now top-stitch the 7 cm wide folded edges of the bag vertically close to the edge. Lay the top-stitched edges of the upper side over the already seamed vertical edges of the bag. Pin the lower transverse edge of the bag with the bellows pleats securely. Stitch the bag along the lower edges through all the fabric layers, catching in the side pleats.
- **8.** Iron the volume fleece batting onto the wrong side of the fabric of the two cut-out pieces for the beach mat, as described in Step 1. Open the separable zip. Pin the right-hand side of one of the zip to the cut-out piece of ornament fabric (see cutting template), with the teeth pointing to the right to bags 1 and 2. Pin the left tape of the second zip at the same level on the opposite edge of the beach mat, with the teeth pointing to the left. Pin the second half of each zip 1.5 cm from the end of the tape also on the edges. Pin the ends of the open handle on the narrow side of the beach mat above the two outer bags flush with the raw edge. Now lay the striped cut-out piece for the mat right side to right side on the ornament fabric, so that the bag with the zip lies right side to right side over bags 1 and 2. Pin all around the fabric layers. Stitch the seam all around, leaving approx. 20 cm open on one side for turning (not the part with the zip). Clip back the seam allowances, clip away the corners on the bias and iron the seam lines. Turn the mat out through the slit. Ease all the edges into shape and iron. Fill the mat loosely with wadding. Stitch the open slit edges closed with invisible hand-sewing.
- **9.** Pin the second handle (with closed ends) on the outer side (ornament fabric) to the mat as instructed on the cutting template and stitch a cross at the ends close to the edge of the ends. Hook the carabiner with a ring in the loop. At the level of the dotted folded edges (cutting template) sew 5 crosses by hand; that way the wadding does not slip out of position. Fold the part of the mat with the zipper bag towards the inside and close the zip on the sides.

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